Application No. 10/699,615

Amendment dated 17 August 2006

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REMARKS

The Examiner has indicated that claims 3-6, 8, 11 and 14-22 would be allowable if rewritten

in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation previously recited in claim 3. Claim 3

has been cancelled accordingly. Claim 4 now depends from claim 1 as amended rather than

cancelled claim 3. It is submitted that dependent claims 2 and 4-24 now depend from an allowable

base claim.

Claims 25- 42 have been previously withdrawn.

New claims 43 - 53 correspond to original claims 8, 11, and 14 - 22 rewritten in independent

form which the Examiner has indicated would be allowable as indicated above.

Conclusion

The Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration

and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

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Amendments to the Drawings

Enclosed with this response is a full set of Replacement Sheets (FIGS. 1-7), which should remedy the objection to the drawings.